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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 April 25, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2006, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 25, 2006, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification and Abstract are on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

Amendments to the Drawings describing changes to drawings shown in the Appendix begin on page 14.

Remarks are included following the amendments.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following the Remarks.